GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

A B S T R A C T

Polavaram Irrigation Project - Conducting explorations, excavation, transplantation of temples, sculptures etc. from the submergible areas of Polavaram Project – Sanction – Accorded – Orders – Issued.

WATER RESOURCES (PROJECTS.I A2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 272 **Dated: 07-06-2017**

Read the following:

From the ENC,PIP, Dowlaiswaram, Lr.No.ENC/PIP/DCE/OT-4/AEE1/ 7120/05/Vol.2, Dt 10.03.2017 and 02-04-2017.

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ORDER:

In the references read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Polavaram Irrigation Project, Dowlaiswaram has submitted that the Director, Archaeology & Museums Dept informed that their department has taken up the resurvey and completed in 85 villages out of 355 villages and noticed archaeological remains in some villages. During the earlier survey the project wing has reported 7 Megalithic Burial sites and recommended for conducting Excavations but, during the recent survey only the following 4 Megalithic sites were identified and the remaining are completely damaged in agricultural operations. The 4 Megalithic sites are Rayunipeta, Yetapaka (E.G.Dist)(M),Rudramkota, Velerupadu (M) West Godavari Dist, Jinnelagudem (V) Kunavaram (M) East Godavari Dist, Chinnametlapalli (V) Vara Ramachandrapuram (M) East Godavari Dist. Accordingly, the Archaeology & Museums Dept proposed to conduct excavations at the above sites during the year. It is also informed that, during the resurvey nearly 257 stone sculptures were noticed in the 77 villages and out of them, it is proposed to shift the selected sculptures initially to a site designated Museum storage place or Eluru Museum and later to the Polavaram Project Museum. It was also informed that this work will be completed at the time of rehabilitation of the villages.

2. Further, it was submitted that, it is pertinent to document each and every archaeological remains, which is coming under the submergence and disappearing once for all after the Polvaram Irrigation Project is impounded. Hence, estimates for photo and video graphic documentation were also submitted. Further, it was also submitted that, the submergence area is occupied by the people of varied tribes and different communities. Each tribe and community has its own cultural affinities and living methods. The intangible heritage and living systems must be documented properly by engaging expert Anthropologists to preserve the same for posterity.

3. To carry out all the above said works, the Director, Archaeology & Museums Dept has submitted the requirement of man power (Department staff & Outsourced Staff) as follows.

1. Executive Engineer, Irrigation Dept , Polavaram Project wing - 1
2. Deputy Director (Tech) -1
3. Assistant Director (Eng) -1
4. Assistant Director (Tech) -1
5. Technical Assistants – 4

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Outsourcing Staff (Not available in the Archaeology & Museums Dept)

1. Photographer – 1
2. Draftsmen (Conservation) -1
3. Assistant Stapathy – 1
4. Senior Assistant – 1
5. Security persons – 9

4. The Engineer-in-Chief, PIP has, therefore, requested to arrange for sanction of the staff and an amount of Rs. 4.45 Crores as requested by the Director, Archaeology & Museums Dept and requested to communicate necessary orders at an early date.

5. Government after careful consideration hereby accord permission to arrange for sanction of the staff and an amount of Rs. 4.45 Crores (Rupees four crores and forty five lakhs only) as requested by the Director, Archaeology & Museums Dept.

6. The expenditure on the above staff to a limit of Rs.1,10,50,000/- may be debited to the head "4700-COL on Major & Medium Irrigation – M.H.800 Other Expenditure – G.H.12 CASDP – S.H. (11) Project Establishment under Engineer-in-Chief, Polavaram irrigation Project". The expenditure on the works of excavation and shifting of antiquities to a limit of Rs.3,35,00,000/- may be debited to the Polavaram Project under head "4700-COL on Major & Medium Irrigation – 01 Major Irrigation – M.H.120 Polavaram Barrage - G.H.12 CASDP – S.H. (26) D&A Works – 530/531 Other Expenditure of M.H.120 Polavaram Project".

7. The Engineer-in-Chief, Polavaram Irrigation Project, Dowlaiswaram shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (FMU-WR II) Department vide their U.O.No.48022/150/FMU-WR II/2017,Dt. 02-06-2017.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)
SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer-in-Chief, Polavaram Irrigation Project, Dowlaiswaram

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